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CAPT. J. C. CURRAN, BRITISH OFFICER, COMES TO CHARLEROI

Tuesday Evening Next Is Date Arranged For The Speaker

MUSIC WILL BE A FEATURE

A mass meeting of the citizens of Charleroi and surrounding communities will be held at the Fifth street headquarters, Tuesday evening, October 1, at 7:30 o'clock. This meeting will be held under the auspices of the local committee in charge of the Fourth Liberty Loan campaign of which W. B. Patterson is chairman and promised to be one of the most interesting gatherings of citizens ever held in Charleroi.

The committee has been fortunate in securing the services of Capt. J. C. Curran, Medical Officer in the British Navy, who is now touring the country under the jurisdiction of the United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation, National Service Section, and also J. Ernest McCoy, service manager, who will accompany Capt. Curran on this trip to Charleroi.

Capt. Curran has had a wonderful experience with the Germans during the present war. He was taken a prisoner on the high seas when his vessel was captured by the German raider Moewa and sent to a detention camp in Germany, where re remained for sixteen months, when he was exchanged. It is of these experiences that Capt. Curran will tell to the people of Charleroi next Tuesday evening and they will be is such a character as to hold the attention of every one who is present.

Capt. Curran has spoken at many points in western Pennsylvania the past few months, having made a tour of the Connellsville coke region as well as throughout the manufacturing districts, where he has been met witm the most cordial receptions. On Tuesday of this week he was in Donora and spoke at the three mills in that town, the workmen being released at intervals to listen to his recital of the trials through which he was compelled to undergo while a German prisoner.

Music will be one of the features of the meeting, and a double quartet will furnish s pecial numbers. Our citizens should arrange their appointments so that nothing should interfere with them in being able to attend this meeting.

BUY LIBERTY BONDS

Tax Payers Notice.

Monday is the last day to pay taxes in order to get your discount. The school tax if not paid by October 1 will be collected by the process of law to save the collector the trouble of levying on personal property.

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BUY LIBERTY BONDS

WANTED —Millinery Apprentice Girls. Apply at once. J. W. Berryman & Son. 79-tf-*

MAKING PROGRESS TOWARDS RECOVERY

Lieut. John W. Day of Monongahela of the Machine Gun Company, 110th Infantry, who was severely wounded at the second battle of the Marne, and who has been in a hospital in France for a number of weeks, is making satisfactory progress toward recovery, although it is reported itwill be several months before he is able to leave the institution. Lieut. Day is a well known attorney and has a large circle of friends in this section of the valley.

BUY LIBERTY BONDS

HONOR ROLL OF THE RED CROSS

The following ladies were in attendance at the Red Cross work rooms for the week ending Friday evening September 27:

Hospital Supplies—Mrs. Athalia McKean, Mrs. John Kraus, Mrs. Wm. High, Mrs. B. D. Blaker, Mrs. Mary Daly, Mrs. William McKean, Mrs. I. N. Kibler, Mrs. T. P. Sloan, Mrs. R. C. Mountsier, Mrs. J. A. Nutt, Mrs. Nathan Greenberg, Mrs. J. T. Laird, Mrs. J. W. Hunter, Mrs. Frew, Mrs. J. M. Evans, Mrs. A. O. Davis, Mrs. H. S. Roberts, Mrs. J. C.Hostetter,Mrs. C. Bair,Mrs. F. Jones, Mrs. Elizabeth Nelson, Mrs. Geo. Davis, Mrs. L. Jacobs, Mrs. William Darby, Mrs. C. Grant, Miss Emily Huckels, Miss Ruth High, Miss Lela Nutt.

Surgical Dressings—Mrs. Walton Sharpnack, Mrs. J. G. Albright, Mrs. F. C. Stahlman, Mrs. W. B. Pfleghardt, Mrs. Gray Gaut, Mrs. John Hegenall, Mrs. R. H. Rush, Mrs. George Gray, Mrs. E. C. McKean, Mrs. T. R. VanMarler, Mrs. S. B. Orndorff, Mrs. E. W. Allman, Mrs. E. J. LaTour, Mrs. T. A. Morgan, Mrs. Jas. Sheppard, Miss Stella Elder, Miss Elizabeth Frew, Miss Bessie Weaver, Miss Lura Wingett.

BUY LIBERTY BONDS

MANY GO TO SEE THE BIG PARADE

Charleroi is well represented at the county seat this afternoon many of our citizens going over to take part in the big Liberty Loan parade, which was scheduled to move at 1:30 o'clock. In addition to members of the Home Defense Police, who left on the 11 o'clock car, a number of our residents went by auto, leaving Charleroi a little after 12 o'clock. No speaking is to follow this demonstration, which is altogether of a spectacular nature, for the purpose of stirring up enthusiasm for the Fourth Liberty Loan campaign. Delegations from every part of the county were expected to be present, with the contingent from Charleroi about the largest outside the county seat

Buy Bonds And Name A Tank For Charleroi

Charleroi has an opportunity to attain unusual distinction in the coming Liberty Loan campagn, Chairman Daly announced at the meeting held Thursday evening and in bringing this honor to our home community every wage earner can have an important part in the contest for that is what it really is ,as announced from the Central Liberty Loan Committee at Cleveland a few days ago, and the regulations are as follows:

The privilege of naming ten ships built under the supervision of the United States Shipping Board, and ten tanks to be used on the western front has been granted to this Federal Reserve District. These ships and tanks will be named after towns and counties as follows:

Rule No. 1-A—One ship will be named after the county in each area that first attains its quota.

Rule No. 1-B—Four ships will be named after counties, regardless of the area, having the greatest percentage of over-subscriptions, but no award will be made in this class to the same county that wins in Class 1-A.

Rule 2.—Tanks are to be named after banking towns obtaining the greatest percentage of oversubscriptions of their quotas. These awards will be based on subscriptions filed with the Federal Reserve Board.

Rule 3.—The election of sponsors for both thanks and ships will be left to the successful counties or towns.

Rule 4—Under no circumstances may a ship or tank be named after an individual or an organization.

WATCHING OUTPUT AT THE MINES

R. W. Gardiner production manager of the Pittsburg coal district is having an investigation made of certain conditions which now exists about the various mines as to why there are so many idle days indulged in by the men employed at the various collieries. To assist in this investigation a "Production Committee" has been organized, whose duty it is to send representatives to the various mines to collect the statistics and make investigations of these conditions, which have such a bearing on the output of the mines in this district.

A number of these reports were recently sent into the Pittsburg headquarters and a compilation shows that of the 21,000 days' work lost on account of miners being idle during August, 14,000 of them were due to an over-indulgence in alchololic stimulants. The next excuse which seems mostly in favor of the men is, that they were "tired." Other reasons were "sore hand" and "no coal," in the latter case three operators being asked to make an explanation. Of the "sorehand" excuse the administration hopes to overcome, but when a man is "tired" there appears to be no remedy whereby he can be got back to work again until he is rested. Of the leading cause of the idleness, however, the production manager may have something to say at a later date unless there is a sudden change for the better in that rspect.

BUY LIBERTY BONDS

Notice to Those Who Have Not Paid Occupation Tax.

The tax collector will collect the occupation tax through the pay office of the various plants unless tax is not paid by October 5. 96-t3-*

MUST CALL FOR QUESTIONNAIRES

The following questionnaires have been returned to Local Board at Donora by the Postmaster as unclaimed. If not called for within three days they will be reported to Washington City as deserters:

John Wiercioch, 1025 Oakland Avenue, Charleroi.

Alfred Arthur, Pittsburg Plate Glass Co., Charleroi.

Antonio Pawlikosky, 1101 Meadow Avenue, Charleroi, Pa.

Lumpie Bettles, 405 Fallowfield Avenue, Charleroi

John Mondick, Charleroi.

Nick Adouvivitch, Pittsburg Plate Glass Co., Charleroi.

John Gerdovich, Charleroi.

Dozo Mitrovish, Pittsburg Plate Glass Co., Charleroi.

Albert J.Metzger, 602 McKean Avenue, Charleroi.

Signed: Local Board for Division No. 5 for the County of Washington, State of Pennsylvania, Donora, Pa.

BUY LIBERTY BONDS

NOTICE TO THE VETERAN GUARD OF CHARLEROI, PA

Veterans of the Civil War: You are asked to use all of your influence in the interests of the Fourth Liberty Loan Campaign. By so doing, we will show to our country and flag that we are the boys of 1861 to 1865 who fought and saved the Flag of our country to hand down to the boys who are fighters today for our country and flag, and in this way we will show to the world that we still have influence and will, by the help of God do our duty to the last veteran of the Civil War.

John K. Hein, Chairman
Jacob Wise, Commander
Kerfoot W. Daly, Chairman
Washington County
W. B. Patterson, Town Chairman

Coyle Theatre Monday

Norma Talmadge and Eugene O'Brien in their latest Select picture "THE SAFETY CURTAIN"

Majestic Theatre Today

"REVELATION" with Mme. Nazimova with an all star cast. Seven parts

SAVE FOR THE LIBERTY LOAN

September 28th to October 19th, 1918

The First National Bank

Charleroi, Pa.

Spalding Sweaters and Jerseys

Various Colors and Styles

MIGHT'S BOOK STORE

NAVAL TRAINING BAND WILL COME TO CHARLEROI AGAIN

PENNSYLVANIANS ARE PERSHING'S BIG DRIVE

Reports this morning indicate that the Twenty-eighth Division composed largely of former members of the Pennsylvania National Guard, is in the big drive against the German lines in the Champagne district. The Twenty-eighth, better known as the "Iron" Division, is now recognized as one of the veteran units of the American army and has done splendid service all through the summer campaign.

BUY LIBERTY BONDS

CHARLEROI HIGH IS AT CONNELLSVILLE

The Charleroi High School football team left for Brownsville on the 6:11 train this morning, from there going by trolley to Connellsville, where the opening game of the season will be played with the High School eleven of that city. Prof. T. L. Pollock, Dr. Austin Stahlman, coach and Manager Russell Stahlman accompanied the team, which will present its regular line-up in the contest. Connellsville usually has a strong team, and this year's eleven is expected to measure up to those of former years. Charleroi High has been practicing for several weeks and will undoubtedly give a splendid account of itself.

BUY LIBERTY BONDS

PATRIOTIC PROGRAM BY JUNIOR HIGH

The Junior High School gave a very patriotic program in the auditorium of the high school building Friday afternoon, beginning at 2:30 o'clock, the exercises being in charge of Miss Etta M. Work and the teachers of that division, with Prof. Daniel directing the music. S. D. Hill gave the principal address of the afternoon, telling why the United States was in the war, and urging the pupils of the Junior High to do all in their power to increase the sale of Liberty Bonds. Other features were minute speeches by boys and girls, as well as essays by different pupils on the same subject. Patriotic songs were a feature of the program, all of which was highly enjoyed by pupils and teachers alike.

BUY LIBERTY BONDS

ENTERTAINS FOR SON WHO ENTERS COLLEGE

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gaskill entertained at a dinner on Thursday evening, in the form of a farewell party for their son Wilfred, who expects to enter a medical training school in Pittsburgh on Monday. There were 25 guests present and on their arrival they were taken to the dining room where a three-course dinner had been prepared for them. The remainder of the evening was spent in games and music. Out of town guests were present from Belle Vernon, Finleyville and Charleroi.

BUY LIBERTY BONDS

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Faulks and daughter Ruth of Lock Four spent Friday with their parents Mr.and Mrs. C. J. Phillips of Uniontown.

Date Fixed For October 14 At Noon, At Public Platform

GOOD SPEAKER WITH THEM

Charleroi is to have the Naval Training Station band as an additional attraction for the local Liberty Loan campaign. This good news came to Kerfoot W. Daly on Friday from Cleveland and arrangements will be immediately made for the entertainment of th members of this splendid organization, who made such a hit in Charleroi last spring when the Third Liberty Loan campaign was on.

The date fixed for the visit of this splendid band is Monday, October 14, at noon. The organization will arrive some time earlier in the day and will be the guests of the local committee, of which W. B. Patterson is chairman, who will entertain them both at breakfast and lunch. Accompanying the band will be a speaker, whose name has not yet been announced, but who will undoubtedly be one of the best available in the Fourth reserve district. The concert as well as the speaking will take place from the public platform, which has been erected on Fifth street on the Berryman property, opposite the Liberty Loan headquarters. This is one of the most advantageous places in town, sufficiently removed from the noise of the railroads and down town traffic as well as being convenient to all parts of Charleroi.

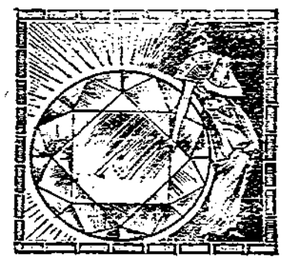
The visit of the band will be one of the big events of the local campaign, which is to have many interesting features. Chairman Patterson has already announced that he will arrange for a Belgian and French night, an Italian night,a Russian night as well as an American night. At these various meetings music representing the countries named above will be prominent, as well as the singing of their home songs in the native tongue. Other particular "nights" may be arranged for, and likely will, so that something of interesting nature may be "doing" at the public platform almost every evening. It promises to be a strenuous campaign from start to finish.

BUY LIBERTY BONDS

WANTED—Two or three furnished or unfurnished rooms for light housekeeping. Address 289 Mail office. 98t4p

COYLE THEATRE

TODAY—Frank Keenan in "Sin Ye Do" also a good comedy
MONDAY—Norma Talmadge in "The Safety Curtain"
TUESDAY—Margarita Fisher in a Mutual Feature, "The Primitive Woman."
WEDNESDAY—Bert Lytle in a Metro Feature, "Boston Blackie's Little Pal"
FRIDAY—Enid Bennett in a Paramount Feature, "TheMarriage Ring"
SATURDAY—Douglas Fairbanks in "Matrimaniac" also a good comedy
COMING—Wallace Reid in a Paramount Picture, "Firefly of France"



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WILL GET THEIRS

The Bolshevik traitors will get their deserts when peace finally comes to Europe. The despicable manner in which Lenine and Trotzky betrayed the Russian people is shown up in documents recently discovered and published a few days ago. The plot was hatched in Germany and carried out by their hired traitors, who for a money consideration succeeded in taking Russia out of the allied column and practically destroyed the government of that country.

It may take some years to get the Russian people back into anything like a normal condition or frame of mind with respect to constituted authority, but it will come eventually and with a stronger government than ever before, in which the people will be recognized to a greater extent than ever. Russia is passing "under the rod" at this time, but this great nation will emerge to become a greater factor than ever before in the affairs of the world. Russia is not lost—she is merely on the wrong road from which she will soon return, because her people will have become more enlightened on the situation. It will be a great day for Russia when she returns.

INDIVIDUALITY

Some observers think that the most characteristic thing about the American soldiers in France, something which astounds the enemy and excites the admiration of our allies, is the capacity of the American soldier to do individual thinking and fighting. The German fights successfully only in mass formation, in organized bodies, while every American soldier has an initiative and independence of action which gives him remarkable efficiency in open fighting. They are not senseless cogs, but each is an individual working unit in a great fighting machine.

Every American at home should feel an individual responsibility and do his or her individual part in winning the war. The Fourth Liberty Loan drive, which begins September 28, offers a great opportunity for concerted action and for individual acton and the loan will be a tremendous success if each American will do his or her individual part as each American soldier in France does his part. Our solders deserve such support from the people at home.

It took President Wilson just 25 minutes to make a reply to the peace proposals of Foreign Minister Burien, of Austria-Hungary. These 25 minutes were taken up in comparing the official copy of the proposals with those printed in the newspapers a few hours before. After ascertaining that the newspapers carried a correct copy of the propositions of the Austro-Hungarian minister the reply of the United States was immediately despatched to the embassy of Sweden through whom the official copies had come for transmission to Vienna.

The rapidity with which the proposals were answered should carry to the people of the Austro-Hungarian empire, as well as Germany and Buigaria and Turkey the fact that the people of the United States are determined to end the war in Europe with victory—and victory over the land-grabbing and home-despoiling hordes of Germany and the countries allied with her. There is to be no compromise—the rights of the peoples of the smaller nations are not going to bartered away around the peace table with Germany holding subjugated people as pawns. It may take several months to complete the job but when we are through with it, it will be a complete job. Don't forget that.

Funny world, isn't it? You can get only two pounds of sugar per month at about ten cents a pound, but if you have money you can get 100 pounds of sugar a day in the form of candy, at about 60 cents per pound.

A man writes to the New York Sun urging experiments with the wool of long haired dogs. Champ Clark's houn' dog is suggested for the sacrifice, as he is suspected of being a camouflaged sheep-killer.

VETERAN PILOT QUITS THE RIVER

Capt. James Hays, who for the past eight years has been pilot on the U. S. Steamer Swan, Capt. W. H. Shearer, has retired from active river service. Capt. Hays is a veteran of the civil war and took part in some of the deciding battles between the north and the south, among them being the battle of Gettysburg. After serving his country for three years Capt. Hays took up river work and is known as one of the best and oldest pilots on the three rivers, having commanded some of the largest steamers owned by the independent coal operators before the formation of the coal combine. He likewise has quite a reputation as a fisherman and a hunter and he will no doubt spend much of his time in these favorite pastimes.

ARE PREPARING FOR HEAVY WINTER WORK

Every effort is being made to relieve congestion on through freight to tidewater on all the big systems feeding the Atlantic ports. Freight, perishables and coal are receiving first consideration. Officials are bending their energy toward handling as large a business as possible before cold weather sets in and the difficulties of winter be set transportation.

Non-essentials are being routed over circuitous lines and while officials refuse to talk for publication, it seems to be the consensus of opinion that the first coal weather will greatly reduce, if not eliminate the present limited traffic in non-essentials. This will mean, unless conditions change materially, that with the first approach of severe weather railroads will be devoted to the movement of troops, munitions and war supplies exclusively, or practically so.

With ever-increasing volume of business in Eastern ports, war traffic has reached such proportions that if anything like the conditions of last winter have to be faced again, it will tax the resources of the railroads to the utmost to move absolute war essentials. The shipping of more and more troops overseas and the necessary increase in traffic permitting for their subistence, it is contended will also become a vital factor in railroading for the coming year, and Pittsburg, one of the great gateways of the country as well as a producer of tonnage will have additional burdens to carry.

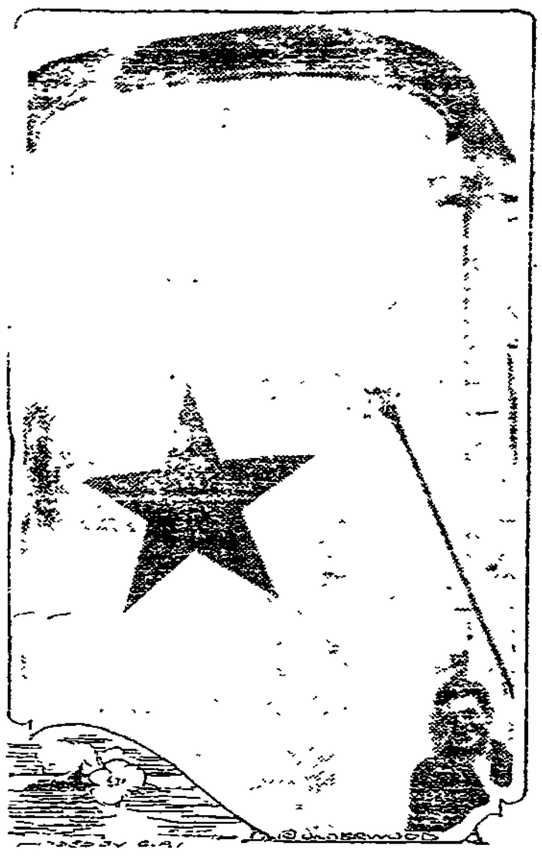
All is not peaceful in the east of Germany and her allies. While Russia as a nation is out of it, yet there is sufficient force being developed in that part of Europe to give the Huns plenty of trouble. The Serbian army which had been out of the fighting for many months, has again appeared in the list of beligerents on the allied side, and gave the Bulgars a trouncing the other day. The Greeks, as well as the French in the vicinity of Salonica have likewise developed an offensive which means trouble for the German allies in that part of Europe. Siberia is also at horn in the flesh for the Central powers as military developments in that part of Asia show conditions favorable to the allied powers. All in all the east is anything but a pleasant place for the Kaiser's Kamerads.

With Fuel Administrator Garfield reporting a 12.4 per cent loss to bituminous coal production due to car shortage, it is clear that there is urgent need for an overhauling somewhere. Does the President want Congress to pass another Overmann Act authorizing him to coordinate and reorganize the Departments and Bureaus and Commssons?

Ten million dollars worth of art works were imported by this country during the fiscal year 1918, not including a bust of Colonel E. M. House nor a portrait of Ham Lewis.

A motorcycle ambulance, illustrated in Popular Mechanics Magazine, has been built for use abroad, and embodies many new refinements of design. The sidecar will carry two disabled men on stretchers, one above the other, and is equipped with a rounded top, hinged to one side of the steel framework so that it can be turned back for loading and unloading. A canvas covering, which attaches to the sides, bowed top and ends like a side curtain, affords complete protection against the weather for the men on the stretchers.

These Stars Shine at Sea



STARS like the one in the photograph will be shining on all the seven seas from the fleet of Uncle Sam's torpedo boats before the war has gone very much older.

These stars are turned to the prow of any torpedo boat which actually sinks a submarine.

Purchase of Liberty Bonds by the folks back home won't produce more submarines for these jackies to sink. But the money you put in bonds goes into better guns, more depth bombs, more torpedoes.

The money feeds these boys and keeps them well clothed and happy. A happy eye is a keen eye. A keen eye can spot a submarine in the vast reaches of water where these torpedo boats hunt and a keen eye can direct a torpedo surely and accurately enough to put a star on the funnel.

What Lessons Can We Learn From This Ashtabula Pig?

IN ASHTABULA county there is a pig named Libby. It has proved to be a particularly amiable and fast-growing pig, and its proud owner and upbringer believes it is because it got the right start early in life.

This was it:

"Of course I put all the money I could into Liberty Bonds during the campaigns," explains the owner, an enthusiastic woman. "Last Fall when the interest was due, I tried to think of a particularly good investment for it. And as I was coming out of the bank I met a farmer friend of ours. 'Don't you want to buy a pig,' he said, 'a nice companionable little pig?' I had never thought of pigs just that way, but I remembered those beefless days we were told were ahead of us, and porkless days, and I said, 'Here's my investment.'

"So I bought the pig with my bond interest and named it 'Liberty.'

"Next winter we'll kill her, much as we'll hate to, and leave the butcher's meat for less provident people.

"And the money we'll save, I'll put toward more Liberty Bonds."

Liberty Bonds to Pay For Ships of War

What is to be done with all the money that is being asked for in the Fourth Liberty Loan? Pay for battleships, submarines and a thousand other things to be used by our boys on the land, on the sea, in the air and under the sea. To complete a single battleship now under construction requires $23,075,000 and a battle cruiser takes $24,900,000. A scout cruiser takes $1,220,000, and a destroyer $1,[illegible]. A coast submarine costs $[illegible] and a sea-going submarine $1,[illegible].

DECLARE HOUSE IS HAUNTED

British Lawmakers Positive They Have Seen Apparitions in Famous Parliament Buildings.

Those who do not believe in ghosts will be surprised to learn that several members of parliament have sworn to the presence of apparitions in the house of commons.

A prime minister, Earl Grey, declared that he saw a death's head appear three times in front of him while delivering his great speech on the introduction of the reform bill and G. Swift MacNeil also swore that he saw T. P. O'Connor sitting in his usual place in the house, while at the time the gentleman was in Ireland. Many members, too, have seen the "White Lady" walking in the corridors of the house.

The "terrace ghost" has often been said to appear. Another known as the "Big Ben" ghost is stated to appear when a member of the royal family is about to die. On December 13, 1861, December 18, 1873, and January 13, 1892, it appeared as an old man rowing a little below Westminster bridge in a rotten skiff and dashing into the terrace wall just as Big Ben commenced to peal midnight. On the following days, respectively, the prince consort, the Princess Alice and the duke of Clarence died. Guy Fawkes and Spencer Perceval are also said to haunt the house in the form of ghosts.

Old New York Tree.

The oldest tree in New York, or anywhere near the city, is probably the famous tulip tree near the south bank of the Harlem ship canal, a few hundred yards from the Hudson river. The foresters have estimated its age at something near three centuries, but that guess may be somewhat short of its true age, for the trunk is far from symmetrical, and had been subjected to hard usage before the park department repaired its burned and rotted interior and put an iron fence around it to keep vandals at a distance.

A great new copper district in Arctic Canada is a possibility pointed out to the Royal Society of Arts, London, by W. Frecheville. The locality is east of Great Bear lake, along the Coppermine river, which runs north from about 65 degrees latitude to Coronation gulf, and the area may extend as far east as Bathurst inlet, and even to Victoria island farther north. The first specimens of native copper were obtained from the Eskimos, who were using the metal in their primitive industries. Explorers have since reported finds of copper, and evidences of large deposits.

HOW SAILORS ARE TRAINED

Naval Academy at Annapolis Gives Students Most Thorough Preparation for Their Life Work.

During the Civil war the Naval academy was moved to Newport, on the historic Constitution, while its former home at Annapolis was used as a base hospital by the army, writes C. H. Foster in Scribner's. On the academy's return to Annapolis, in 1865, Vice Admiral Porter, the superintendent, instituted regular dances, or "hops," and, most important of all his reforms, the honor system, by which a midshipman's word was not to be questioned.

He also encouraged athletics in every way. In the presence of a throng of midshipmen he even boxed with one of them himself and allowed the nose of the vice admiral of the navy to be smartly tapped by his enthusiastic young opponent—to the manifest glee of the assembly and to the shuddering horror of the old navy when it it learned of this innovation.

By the end of Porter's superintendency, in 1869, the Naval academy had worked out the system followed to the present day. Since 1851 academic work has not been interrupted by three years at sea. Through drills and summer cruises practical skill and seagoing habits have been acquired without sacrificing progress in the theory and science of the naval profession. During their four years at the academy its graduates have felt its potent spell, and have afterward won honor for it and themselves. The results achieved challenge comparison with those of any college, and have made a reputation second to none.

Y. W. C. A. WORK IN AMERICA.

When the War Department began to get the men of the country ready for war plans were laid without much thought of the women, but a stream of women started coming to the cantonments, with no provision made for them, though many came from distances too far away to return at once. The Government needed the women's help, and the Y. W. C. A. was found to be the only organization equipped for the work. Out of this grew the hostess house of the Y. W. C. A., of which there are now 92, with more being erected.

HOW THEY KEPT WOOD DRY

Personal Discomfort Was a Small Matter to Camping Party, Under the Circumstances.

Three Indianapolis disciples of Sir Izaak Walton sallied forth, a few days ago, on a four days' fishing trip. They were enthusiastic and determined to get as close to nature as possible and had planned to sleep on the bare ground without any tent or other unnecessary protection over their heads. The first night they were late in arriving and had not much more than stretched out on their grassy beds when a fierce rain storm came up. They hastily arose and did not need to stop to dress, as they were already dressed. There were no signs of habitation near, and the few trees in the vicinity were a mockery as to shelter. The rain came down in torrents, mixed with just enough wind to make it interesting. One of the first thoughts that filtered through their tired and weary brains was that they would need dry wood in the morning with which to build a fire. Necessity has long been known as the mother of invention, and this, coupled with the experience of one of the party in setting hens, gave them a bright idea. Under directions of the leader each man gathered a bundle of wood and sat on it to keep it dry. And thus they sat. The first storm had barely subsided when there was another barrage attack, and the second state of that little crowd was worse than the first. But they continued to sit and keep the wood dry. Finally one of them spoke: "You could never get any sensible fish to come out here—it's too wet. Let's go home in the morning." At daybreak they started a fire with the wood they had kept dry, and then came back to town, where you have to pay for water.—Indianapolis News.

MADE OCCASION FOR FESTIVAL

Travelers in Northern Russia Fittingly Celebrate the Crossing of the Arctic Circle.

On the trains running northward across north Russia, the crossing of the arctic circle is made the occasion for a festival similar to that which tourists used to enjoy on shipboard when crossing the equator. The train makes a stop of several hours in the midst of a snow-covered waste on the shores of the White sea. The passengers stretch their legs and take a constitutional out over the frozen surface of the White sea, while a picnic dinner is being prepared.

The exact spot where the railroad crosses the circle is probably not determined with scientific accuracy, but the men who built the railroad apparently agreed on an approximate location, and this is marked with a suitable inscription. At this point also the railroad builders have left a slight gap, probably not more than a quarter of an inch, between the rails, so that, as passengers often notice, "when the train passes over the circle there is a distinct jolt and jar."

Dogs' Teeth as Currency.

"Dogs' teeth are the Papuans' gold, the most valuable of 'coins' in their estimation," says a writer in Wide World. "They purchase weapons, cattle, grain and the crude household utensils with dog's teeth. Only the four canine teeth, however, are of any value, all the others being worthless. These quaint coins are threaded on fibres, and when a wealthy Papuan goes trading he brings with him strings of these teeth.

"The women greatly prize them and make them into necklaces, their wealth and standing in the community being indicated by the number of teeth which compose these ornaments. The wives and daughters of the influential chiefs wear rows upon rows of them around their necks on every festive occasion. They polish them until they shine like ivory, and they certainly make an effective decoration on a glossy black body. One necklet shown to the writer was composed of no fewer than 320 teeth, which means that 80 dogs were sacrificed to obtain them."

Only Barred From One Office.

As far as legal rights and privileges or holding office are concerned, a native-born citizen of the United States has only one advantage over a naturalized citizen of foreign birth. By a provision in the Constitution of the United States a naturalized person of foreign birth is ineligible to the office of president. A person of foreign birth can be governor of a state, a representative or senator in congress, a cabinet officer, a general in the army, an admiral in the navy, or hold any state or national office except that of president.

Sought to Warn Mother.

The mother of five-year-old Mary fell and fractured her wrist and a doctor was called to reset the bone. The youngster, from an adjoining room, heard her mother's cries of pain during the operation. The next day when the physician called Mary opened the front door, and when she saw who it was, shouted with evident disdain: "Oh, mother, here's that same doctor again!"

Pearl Worth a Fortune.

A beautiful pearl, claimed to be the finest drop-shaped pearl yet raised in Australian waters was recently found on the northwest coast of western Australia. It weighs one hundred grains, is the size of a sparrow's egg, and has been named "Star of the West." It is remarkable for its perfect shape and coloring.

HOW THIS NERVOUS WOMAN GOT WELL

Told by Herself. Her Sincerity Should Convince Others.

Christopher, Ill.—"For four years I suffered from irregularities, weakness, nervousness, and was in a run down condition. Two of our best doctors failed to do me any good. I heard so much about what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound had done for others, I tried it and was cured. I am no longer nervous, am regular, and in excellent health. I believe the Compound will cure any female trouble."—Mrs. ALICE HELLER, Christopher, Ill.

Nervousness is often a symptom of weakness or some functional derangement, which may be overcome by this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, as thousands of women have found by experience.

If complications exist, write Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for suggestions in regard to your ailment. The result of its long experience is at your service.

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Nothing heals and clears the skin of infants and children like

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Lot on Crest avenue near Seventh street, 30x259, $2,500.

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Six room house Fallowfield, $6500.

Six room house McKean, $3000.

Eight room house Eight St., $2500.

Nine room house and 8 room house Eight Street, $4300

Four room house Lincoln, $3000.

Six room house and vacant lot, $4200.

Five room house, Crest, $3000.

Six room and three room house, Maple Creek, $2000.

A. L. DUBINSKY
Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa.

Have You Seen the Exposition of New Fall Fashions

It is a style show of the highest importance to the thoughtful woman, who is giving careful consideration to her Fall and Winter wardrobe, with a view to providing herself with the maximum of good style and taste at the minimum expenditure

The first step to efficiency in this direction is a clear mind's-eye picture of the season's authoritative modes to guide and assist in planning one's selections.

This valuable information is fully set forth in this week's Formal Opening in a manner which permits of full and free study of the style points of the various garments for Fall and Winter.

THERE is no woman who gives a thought to her well-dressed appearance, who can afford to miss this quiet, reserved and authoritative presentation of fashions. It is more helpful, practical and enlightening than unlimited pages of style magazines! The actual garments, fabrics and colorings are presented for your inspection and study! Dresses, Suits, Coats, Blouses, Furs, Millinery, and other accessories of dress representing the highest authorities in America and Paris, are shown in their respective sections. See them tomorrow.

J. W. Berryman & Son

Charleroi's Live Store

URGE GREATER INTESEST IN WORK

St. Jerome's Red Cross Knitting Auxiliary met Thursday evening with Mrs. C. J. Mogan, Crest avenue. The attendance was good, but nothing like it should be considering the large membership. The winter with its many hardships is fast approaching, and our soldier boys will suffer for our lack of interest. Let us, in our mind's eye, see ourselves in their places and see how it feels to be thrown on the mercy of the weather without sufficient protection. We aren't conferring any favor on the boys—it's a duty we owe them.

It is hoped that the attendance at the next meeting will be large, showing the boys that we are standing by them in their hour of need. Our sacrifice is small compared with theirs. The following finished work was turned in: Nineteen pairs of socks, four sweaters. The meeting next Thursday evening will be held at the home of Mrs. Charles Schmieler, Fallowfield avenue.

ANOTHER ACREAGE SALE ON THE RIVER

Land fronting the Monongahela river continues in strong demand for manufacturing purposes, and another such tract has been bought. The property is one on which stands the long-idle cement works near Elizabeth. The property comprises six acres and has on it an old brick and frame building. It was the property of Philadelphia people and the buyer is John A. Shaw, of Pittsburg, who is said to represent others who are going to use the property for manufacturing purposes. The price paid for the property is $20,000. The cement works were built some years ago to produce cement from furnace slag by a patented process but for some reason the plant did not prove to be a success. This is the second announced purchase of acreage on the Monongahela during the week, the other having been the Risher and Crumb holdings at Dravisburg, by the National Tube company.

RECORD AGES FOR HORSES

Many Have Lived Far Beyond What Is Generally Considered Their Allotted Span.

Ruben, a farmer of a small town in New Hampshire, tells of a new kind of conservation. In his neighborhood are four horses in active service, though all over twenty years of age. He has one himself "hard upon" twenty-four years. A farmer near by has another which is close to thirty. Two others in the vicinity are around the quarter-century mark. As he says it is only in a rural community, where they cherish the horse almost like a member of the family, where one could expect to find such a record. Even more is this demonstration of longevity surprising.

Nevertheless, the oldest horse that the Nomad ever saw was in the service of the New York city surface railway system. This horse was, at the time when the Nomad was acquainted with him, actually forty-two years old, and he lived two years longer. He had been a street car horse on New York pavements, and then was used as a "hill horse," or extra puller, on slopes, and then, when he became about thirty years old, was retired on a pension, spending most of his time in dignified ease in a box-stall; and he lived on in this way, apparently without a pain or an ache, until he was forty-four. All this can be proved and authenticated from the documents.

The Nomad's own old saddle horse, Brownie, lived to be thirty-odd—no one knew exactly how many more years there were than thirty—but thirty were authenticated, and he was a grown horse when the count began. Brownie looked round and smooth even after thirty, but his legs were like sticks, and his interest in life, beyond grass, was slight.—The Nomad in Boston Transcript.

ROAD MUCH LIKE CORKSCREW

Railway in India Makes Complete Double Loop on Its Way to the Top of Mountain.

One of the most interesting railroad lines, the construction of which meant the solution of difficult engineering problems, is the narrow-gauge railway which winds its way up the steep slopes of the Darjeeling range of the Himalayas to Darjeeling.

Darjeeling is a noted health resort of the British rulers of India and the summer seat of the Bengal government. It is 7,400 feet above sea level, has delightful climate and the magnificent scenery surrounding it, including the panorama of the highest peaks of the Himalayas, make it one of the most desirable places in India during the hot season. One of the remarkable features of the mountain railway is the Chimbatti loop, probably the only example of its kind in the world. The tracks, rising at a steep grade, make a complete double loop to reach the station on the mountain top.—Popular Science Monthly.

China and the Bean.

The bean plays an important part in Chinese domestic economy, and according to East and West News, one of the specially desired qualifications of the Chinese matron throughout the northern provinces, is her ability to concoct from beans—green, black and yellow—those staple dishes that the Chinese know as tou fou and hung fen.

The bean seldom appears on the Chinese table whole; it is not considered as fit for food until it has been reduced to its essences and put up in the form of bean curd, or bean gelatin, which are for sale in every roadside foodshop of northern China.

The art of producing these nourishing foods, which are the meat of the poor, is to the rural Chinese woman what the making of butter, cheese and jam is to the Occidental housewife. In the large cities bean manipulation of that sort is a craft and a commercial activity, just as the making of jam and butter is in the large cities of the West; but it can hardly be called an industry, since it is still quite without organization. The beans must be crushed, soaked, baked, boiled, strained, and so on, before the essences appear.

What Every Poet Knows.

The man of prosaic mind thinks that composition is a matter of so arranging words that they shall convey a meaning that is the sum of their separate meanings. But the poet knows better. He knows that it is a matter of so ordering them that they shall suggest verbally inexpressible meanings between the lines; that they shall, quite literally, set spirits to dancing [illegible]

Y. W. C. A. RECREATION CENTERS IN FRANCE.

Nine social and recreation centers for women Government workers in France have been established by the Y. W. C. A. Two are in Paris. One was created for American women in that city, and the other was erected at the request of the French Ministry of War for the benefit of girl employes. The remaining centers are for French munition workers and have cafeterias or lunch rooms and canteens. All work in France has a direct bearing on the army.

Classified

FOR SALE—82 acre farm with six room house and necessary outbuildings. Also a small coal mine together with gas lease. Situated 2 1-2 miles from Charleroi and 2 miles from Belle Vernon and about 1 mile from Roscoe. A bargain. See Peoples Realty Company. 78-tf

FOR SALE—About 60 feet of iron fence in good condition. Inquire 267 Mail office. 82-tfp

FOR SALE—Seven passenger automobile in good condition. 1917 model. Inquire 275 Mail office. 88-t6p

FOR SALE—Cow. Inquire of Arthur Thompson, Eldora. 89-t3-p

FOR RENT—Furnished room. 702 Washington avenue. 90-3p

WANTED—Eight men between the age of 25 and 45 with some selling ability for work in Monongahela valley and be home any night. Good salary ad commision for right party. Apply to J. Borst, 400 Fifth street, Charleroi, Pa. 41-tf

WANTED—Millinery Apprentice Girls. Apply at once. J. W. Berryman & Son. 79-tf

WANTED—Young man to work in store. A good opportunity for a young man who is bright and wants advancement. J. W. Berryman & Son. 82-tf

WANTED—Girls at the Keystone Cut Glass company. Good pay and steady work. Apply at the Keystone Cut Glass company, Lincoln avenue extension. 82-t12

WANTED—Young lady to work in store. Steady employment. Good wages to right party. 278 Mail office. 90-tf

WANTED—Two or three furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Address 222 Fallowfield avenue. 91t3p

WANTED—Two or three furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Address 280 Mail office. 91-t3-p

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TWO PAIRS TWINS MADE BIG LOT OF WORK FOR MOTHER

They Caused Mrs. David Harris to Be All Run Down Till Nerv-Worth Came to Rescue

A royal friend for overworked women is this famous family tonic. One of the very strongest proofs of its wonderful merits is the following statement made to the Nerv-Worth druggist at New Castle, Pa., a short time ago:

New Castle Pharmacy—My wife has suffered from severe nervous trouble for four years. Could not sleep and get any rest. Was all run down from looking after my twin boys, four years old, and another pair of twins nine months old. She doctored a great deal but got no relief. Through a friend she was advised to take Nerv-Worth. I purchased a bottle and she at once began to improve. And now, after taking the second bottle she has lost all nervousness and is rapidly gaining in weight and strength. We gladly recommend Nerv-Worth as it has been a blessing to us.

Dave Harris, 411 Vine St., New Castle.

Hennings Drug Store and Pipers Pharmacy sell Nerv-Worth in Charleroi. Your dollar back if this famous family tonic does not benefit you.

Blackheads, blotches [illegible] are generally caused [illegible] Peoples Drug Store.

Mothers And Wives Of Soldiers

Down in Claysville an enthusiastic citizen who is interested in the big Liberty Loan Parade at Washington on September 28th made the suggestion that he would like to bring a truck load of mothers and wives of soldiers and have them given a place in the parade. A grand suggestion that was. Now, why can't Charleroi do that? It sure can. Charleroi has given its full quota of noble sons to the service of Uncle Sam. They have left mothers and wives behind.

Won't the good people of the Magic City see to it that these mothers and wives of soldiers are rounded up and taken to Washington in trucks, or private autos on the 28th? If Claysville can do this it is a cinch that Charleroi can, too. The trucks should be decorated and display banners stating that the occupants are the mothers and wives of soldiers who have gone from Charleroi to Win this War. Gather up the mothers of soldiers. God bless 'em and the wives of the heroes and have them in the big parade to boost the Fourth Liberty Loan on September 28th. Get ready, Charleroi, to show the rest of Washington county that it's as much your parade as it is theirs.

Remove blackheads, soften rough skin, clear the blood, brighten the eyes, sweeten the whole system. Nothing helps like a pretty face when [illegible]

[illegible] CLASSIFIED COLUMN.

[illegible]

LOCAL BOYS TO BE COMMISSIONED

Gibson Hill, Edmund Riva and Chester Stahlman, who had been in attendance at the Plattsburg Military Training Camp for the past six weeks arrived home Thursday afternoon, after passing a most successful examination. Prof. John G. Fair of the manual training department of the Charleroi High school and Edwin Booth who were detained an additional day, are expected home today.

Gibson Hill and Edmund Riva who are sophomores at Washington and Jefferson College and Chester Stahlman of the University of Pittsburg, were recommended for commissions, but were directed to return home and for the purpose of re-entering their colleges, where they will remain for a period of at least ten days and not more than three months, during which time they will be subject to call by the government for military servicee. Before entering the service, however they will be commissioned. Prof. Fair and Edwin Booth each received commissions as Second Lieutenants in the Infantry.

Twenty German Divisions, equivalent to 240,000 men have recently been disbanded in order to provide sufficient men to make up for a serious shortage of man-power in the German army during the past year. The German losses during the past summer, and particularly since the beginning of the allied counter-offensive on the 18th of July has been particularly severe, not only in point of numbers, but the [illegible] of the fighting [illegible] battle [illegible] allied armies, renders believe the best way to put the German army [illegible] is to do as fast as they can. The [illegible] aspects of [illegible]

[illegible]

First Ward Man Was in Danger of Serious Illness

To Aid Fellow Sufferers Jas. Duffy Tells How Ten-Herbs Relieved Him

DIGESTION NOW GOOD; ABLE TO EAT HEARTILY

Little do we realize to what extent a seemingly slight illness might lead to if neglected.

Take the case of Mr. James Duffy, of No. 747 Reedsdale street, Pittsburg, Pa, a boiler-maker by trade, and a well known member of the union. He has a host of friends in that city, having been a police officer in the First ward for a number of years. He states:

"For a number of years I have had catarrh of the stomach and was in constant pain; had shortness of breath, acidity of the stomach, headaches, dizzy spells and severe pains around my heart, caused by gas in my system: I was always constipated, my liver was torpid and sluggish; I could never sleep at night, and at times I could scarcely get my breath. I had taken a good many different medicines without any relief until I heard of Ten-Herbs and started to take it. Now I am glad to say I have no more indigestion—have a good appetite, sleep fine and am not constipated. I feel that by taking Ten-Herbs in time I avoided a serious illness as I was gradually getting worse all the time. I can't praise Ten-Herbs enough."

Ten-Herbs, the new herbal stomach, liver and kidney remedy, is perhaps more successful in the cure of stomach ailments than any other preparation. It [illegible] to take, because of its [illegible] and [illegible]

[illegible]'s Drug Store.

MADE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

British Army Deserter Showed Daring and Originality in Making His Escape From Prisons.

Three daring escapes made by a British army deserter with ten convictions against him—all for crimes of violence—were described at Old-street a few days ago, relates London Chronicle. The man, George Mullins, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in January, 1917, and was sent to Wandsworth. There he was trained for the army and taken to France in handcuffs. In a few weeks he contrived to get leave and, returning to England, deserted. He was arrested last April, but, although handcuffed, he escaped from his escort. After a brief spell of liberty Mullins was again captured, and with five others was put in the guardroom at Wandsworth prison. While the others danced and sang at the top of their voices Mullins cut a hole in the wall and all the six escaped. In the following May the man was again arrested, and taken this time to Bethnal Green police station, where he was placed in a newly built cell. Again he managed to escape by loosening a number of bricks, climbing through a ventilator and dropping down a water pipe into the street. The other night Mullins was arrested by Detective Sharp in Stepney. A big and violent crowd, the officer said, gathered and pelted the detective and his colleagues with stones, weights, coal, bottles and "anything they could lay their hands on." The police, however, got away. Mullins is now sentenced to two months' hard labor as a deserter and for damaging Bethnal Green police station.

Complete Supply.

A woman had her little daughter at a shoe store to be fitted. The clerk put one shoe on and asked her to walk around and see how it felt. She did so, then said to the clerk: "It feels, allwight, I'll take two of 'em!"

Powerful Searchlights.

Searchlights on some of the British battleships are so powerful that a newspaper may be read by their light by a person 18 miles away.

Deepest Valley.

The deepest valley is in Palestine; it is 1,300 feet below the level of the sea.

EPIGRAM THAT HAS FORCE

Terse Statement as to Value of Man in the World's Commercial Operations.

There is a moral for all who will seek it in the story of a Minnesota banker, who has made a success of life notwithstanding the handicap that both legs, his left arm and the fingers of his right hand are missing. His career was appropriately reviewed in Carry On, a magazine published in the interest of the reconstruction of disabled soldiers and sailors.

The essence of this man's success is contained in his whimsical statement of his philosophy. "From his neck down," he says, "a man is worth about a dollar and a half a day; from his neck up he may be worth a hundred thousand dollars a year." The facts of this statement apply as forcibly to a man with all his limbs as to a cripple. They constitute the chief reason why vocational education is increasing in popularity and why child labor and compulsory education laws are being made increasingly severe.

It is a fortunate epigram which has been made by this cripple of peace for the benefit of the cripples of war. The part of the man "from the neck up" knows no limitations except self-imposed ones.—Portland Oregonian.

Radium in Sea Salt.

Samples of sea salt collected during a recent voyage in the Pacific and subantarctic regions have been examined for their radium content. The amount of radium was found to be negligibly small compared with values that have been found in others collected near land, and this result is in accordance with the prevailing view that the radium content of sea salt diminishes with increase of distance from land.

Ambitious.

Nat Goodwin tells one on a convivial friend of his. "I hadn't seen him for several years, and when we met I couldn't help commenting on the brilliant redness of his nose.

"John, it must have cost you a lot of money to paint your nose so richly," I remarked.

"Yes, Mr. Goodwin," agreed John, beaming with pride, "and now I'm saving up to get it varnished, sir."

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Troco Oleo Margarine 1 lb for 35c
Alll brands Macaroni or sphaghetti 1 lb pkg 8c
Loose Macaroni 1 lb 15c
California Lima Beans 17c for 1 lb or 3 lbs for 50c
Hand picked Navy Beans per lb 15c
Pinto Beans 2 lbs for 25c
Roman Beans 3 lbs for 50c or per lb 17c
Green Peas per lb 15c
High Grade Medium Red Salmon per can 20c
Large bottle American Maid Catsup 15c
Hipolites Marshmallow Cream large jar 25c
10c glass Mustard 5c
15c bottle Chili Sauce 10c
Jello all flavors 10c
Large quart jar olives 35c
Large Cans Carnation, Silver Cow or Wilson Milk ..12c
Large Cans Hebe Milk 10c
Large Bags salt 5c
Mixed Spices per lb 25c
Best Santos Coffee per lb 20c
Good Drinking Coffee per lb 15c
Campbells Soups per can 10c
Large Can Red Beans.....10c
Cream of Spinach Soup per can.....8c
Dark Karo Syrup 2 cans 25c
Almond Nuts per lb 33c
Par Wax 1 lb for 18c
Washing Soda 3 lbs for 10c
Crisco 1 lb 30c and 3 lb cans for 90c
10c can Shinola shoe polish 7c
Sedlitz Powders 3 powders for 10c

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NEW PORTRAIT OF DICKENS

Engraving of Noted Author, Revered by Lovers of Literature, Recently Sold at Auction.

A new portrait of Dickens, hitherto unknown, not only to his friends, but even to his family, is surely a rare discovery, says Christian Science Monitor, commenting on the fact that Sotheby's auctions had the pleasure of selling such a production in a recent issue of their paper. The portrait, which is a pen drawing, is signed W. J. L., initials which are believed to stand for W. J. Linton, the famous wood engraver, the artist of several pictures in "A Christmas Carol" and "The Chimes."

It was from Mrs. E. Lynn Linton, W. J. Linton's wife, that Dickens bought Gad's Hill place, but there is apparently no record that Linton ever visited Dickens there. It cannot, in fact, be determined whether this new portrait was done from life or not. It evidently has been to America at some time or other, for on the back of it appears: "New York Transfer Co., Dodd's Express, 944 Broadway, New York." The portrait was recently sold by auction in London, and is now the property of Messrs. Leggart Bros. of Cheapside.

IN MATTERS OF EDUCATION

Question Where Authority for the Proper Conduct of Operations Should Be Rightly Placed.

Fundamentally the determining factor in educational administration becomes today one of finance. The school superintendents declare themselves unable to raise more money locally than is already furnished. The whole question of educational finance in relation to local taxation has not yet been adequately considered to determine the validity of such statements. Without going further into this problem an agitation has been begun for securing aid from the federal government. It is argued that the federal authority today is in a better position for levying taxes than is the local authority, that the nation as a whole is likely to suffer unless national measures are adopted for combating illiteracy, Americanizing the immigrant, and improving the physique of the citizens, and finally that teachers may now be regarded as performing service of national importance—New Republic.

A Considerable Amount.

A certain little village in the West stands some distance from the nearest good supply of pure water, and Patrick is the man who transports barrels of drinking water to the homes of the village.

One day, says Chicago Herald, as Patrick halted at the top of the river bank, a man famous for his inquisitive mind stopped and asked:

"How long have you hauled water for the village, my good man?"

"Tin years, sor."

"Ah, how many loads do you take in a day?"

"From tin to fifteen, sor?"

"Ah, yes! Now, I have a problem for you. How much water at this rate have you hauled in all?"

The driver of the water cart jerked his thumb backward toward the river and replied:

"All the water—yez don't see there now, sor."

Bird Songs.

It was the morning of June 20. I stood at the gate of the farmhouse where three roads met, and the air was full of bird songs. For a long time I stood there and tried to note how many different songs I could hear. Near by were the alto joy-notes of the Baltimore oriole. Up from the meadow where the trout flowed came the bubbling, gurgling notes of the bobolink. Robins, wood thrushes, song sparrows, chipping sparrows, bluebirds, vireos, gold finches, chebees, indigo birds, flickers, phoebes, red-winged blackbirds, scarlet tanagers, catbirds, house wrens—altogether, without moving from my place, I counted 33 different bird songs and bird notes.—Samuel Scoville, Jr., in Atlantic.

Easily Arranged.

One beautiful summer night, when the crickets were chirping in the grass and the caterpillars were dropping from the trees, John Henry turned to the charming girl who was sitting on the veranda at his side.

"Edith," said he timorously, "there comes to me a thought, I might say a fear."

"Well, what is it?" queried the fair girl, as the other hesitated.

"I suppose," responded John Henry, suggestively, hopefully, "that were I to steal a kiss you would have me arrested?"

"Perhaps," was the ready rejoinder of the girl, "but you could find somebody to pay your fine, couldn't you?"

Discipline.

"The discipline in base hospitals in France precludes social relations between nurses and enlisted men. This is occasionally carried to extremes, as evidenced by the following incident. A certain nurse was found ringing the doorbell of the officers' quarters early one morning. When asked what she wanted, she replied that the villa in which she and the other nurses were quartered was on fire. After the fire had been extinguished, she was asked why she didn't give the alarm at once, instead of running the long distance to the officers' quarters. Her reply was: 'We aren't allowed to speak to enlisted men.'"—From the Journal of the American Medical Association.

NO LOBSTER AT THAT MEAL

Good and Distinct Reason Why Man Took His Dinner From the Humble Sardine Tin.

A friend of mine is very fond of lobster, but, like many men, has no idea how such food is prepared. His wife had occasion to be absent from home one day last week, and she told the servant girl to buy a lobster for my friend's dinner. She left a note, telling her husband of the treat she had provided for him, and requesting him not to wait dinner for her. He was quite hungry when he reached home and, after regarding the note, said to the servant:

"Is that lobster ready?"

"No, sir, it isn't," said the girl.

"Well, hurry up with it. I'm as hungry as a bear," said he.

"I can't, sir," said the girl. "The mistress said to broil the lobster, and I got him on the gridiron after a date of fuss. The more I poked the fire the more he walked off, and I thought the baste was haunted and no good would come from cooking a straddle bug like that."

"What did you do with it?" said my friend, getting mad.

"Faith, the last I saw of him he was going out the back door with his tail up, like the maniac he was."

He had sardines for dinner.—London Mail.

ALIBI PROVED FOR PRETZEL

Going Far Back Into Ancient History, It Can Be Proved That It Was Not of German Origin.

Now comes the lowly pretzel before the bar of public opinion in a valorous attempt to remove the stigma of German origin. It has delved deep into ancient history to prove its alibi and upon the face of the evidence presented it has made out a reasonable case for itself. Indignantly does the pretzel deny that it sprang from unhallowed association with German beer; that use it declares is a desecration of its originally high birth, a degradation characteristically Teutonic. The pretzel insists that it is inherently a baked prayer, for in the early day of the Christian church the pretzel was used almost exclusively as a reward of merit given by a priest to children for learning their prayers. In the monasteries of the middle ages the pretzel was considered a rare delicacy, and during lent it was the usual alms offering. Furthermore the very crookedness of the pretzel is a crushing argument against its calumniators, for it represents the arms folded in prayer. Thus stands the case for the pretzel sanctity of the humble pretzel.

House Oldest in America.

Tradition, indorsed by the press and the testimony of the oldest inhabitants, gives authority to the statement that the oldest house, No. 54 North St. George street, St. Augustine, Fla., is really the oldest house in America. Built by the Dons in medieval times (1589) on the oldest street of what was the site of the Indian village of Seloe, whose chief was Folomato, this ancient house has never been remodeled or modernized.

The architecture is of Moorish design, antedating the Spanish. With its coquina-terrace floors, round carved pillars in the patio, mahogany stairway, hewn red cedar timbers, all pegged together, secret closets and other substantiating hallmarks, it is unlike any other house in St. Augustine, and is truly one of the sights of the ancient city.

Pitt a Spendthrift.

The contention that many of our statesmen will not themselves set the fashion in economical living in wartime is not a new one. Pitt, who preached economy and forced it on the people, was himself a notorious spendthrift.

For a long time (while warden of the Cinque ports) his income was £10,000 a year, and it never fell below £6,000. Yet he was always hard up, and when he died the nation, in the throes of a great war, had to find some £40,000 to satisfy his creditors.

Examinations of Pitt's household budgets—made from time to time at his own request—showed such items as a hundredweight of butcher's meat consumed in a single week—or, more accurately, charged to Pitt's account.—London Chronicle.

Wouldn't Mix in That.

"Howdy, Squire?" saluted a younger neighbor. "Me and wife have got into a sort of a jangle over naming our baby. It's our first, and I s'pose we're more particular about it than folks who have a bunch of 'em. Wife, she is set and determined to name him after her side of the house, and I'm sticking and hanging for him to be named after one of my kin. Now, if you'll come over and settle it for us you'll—"

"Now, looky here, Lucas!" interrupted old man Backledaffer. "While I hate peace as much as anybody, and more than a good many, I hain't so absolutely senseless and foolhardy as all that!"—Kansas City Sun.

Knowledge Gained by Experience.

A young ensign, acting as school teacher on the battleship Texas, says Philadelphia Public Ledger, asked the question: "What are the two principal parts of a sentence?" He expected, of course, to get the answer, "Subject and predicate."

The old "salt" who was called on scratched his head in perplexity and at last replied: "Solitary confinement and bread and water."

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